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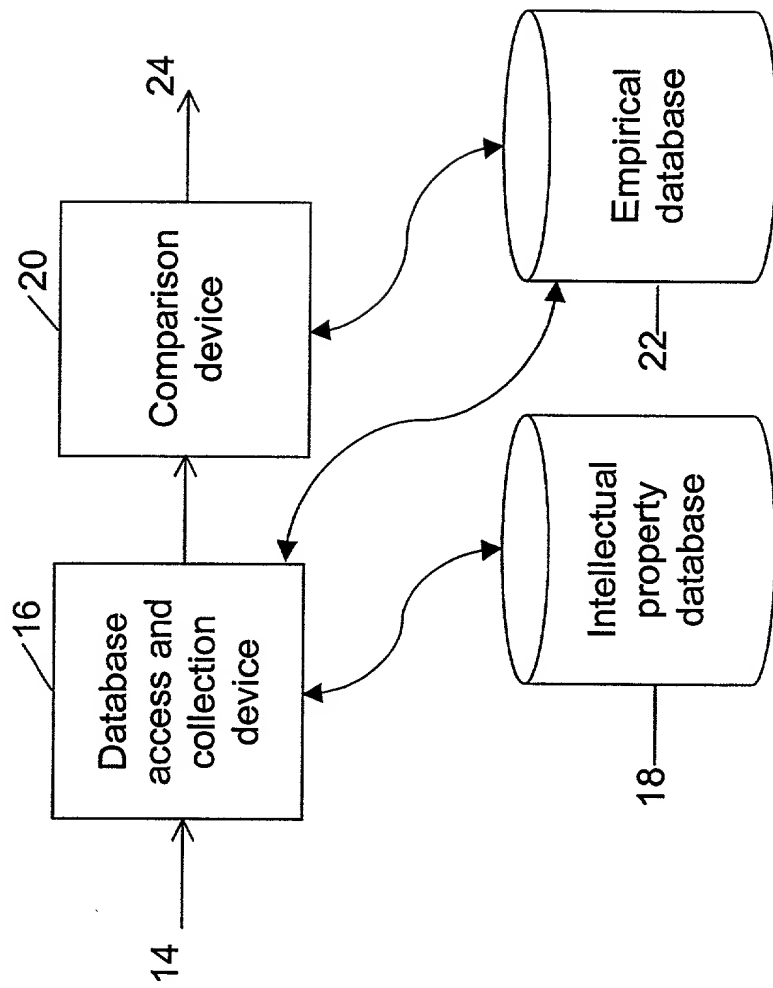


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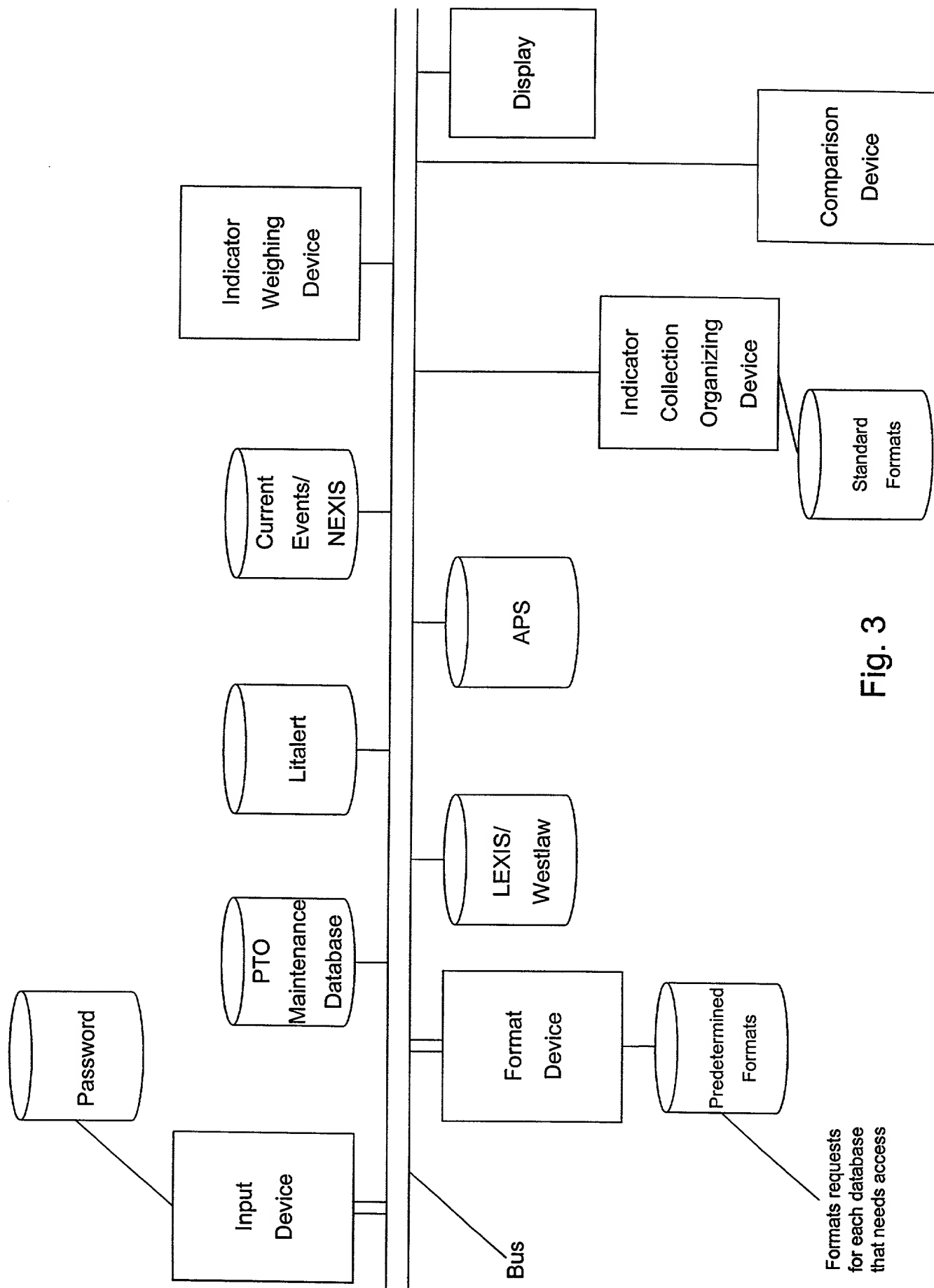


Fig. 3

FIG. 4 is a block diagram of a system for processing legal research data. The system includes a Nexis database, a Lexis/Westlaw database, a PTO Maintenance database, and a Display. The Nexis database is connected to the Lexis/Westlaw database, which is connected to the PTO Maintenance database. The PTO Maintenance database is connected to the Display. The system also includes an Input Device, a Format Device, an Indicator Collection Device, an Indicator Formatting Device, and a Comparison Device. The Input Device is connected to the Format Device, which is connected to the Indicator Collection Device. The Indicator Collection Device is connected to the Indicator Formatting Device, which is connected to the Comparison Device. The Comparison Device is connected to the Display.

Nexis

Lexis/Westlaw

PTO  
Maintenance

Display

Input Device

Format Device

Indicator  
Collection  
Device

Indicator  
Formatting  
Device

Comparison  
Device

Fig. 4

FIG. 5 is a block diagram of a system for providing information to a user. The system includes a network 100, a LEXIS database 110, a Litalert database 120, a CO database 130, a CO database 140, a Modem 150, a PTO Maintenance database 160, a NEXIS database 170, an Input Device 180, a Password database 190, a Format Device 200, a Predetermined Formats database 210, an Indicator Collection Organizing Device 220, an Indicator Weighing Device 230, and a Device 240. The network 100 is connected to the LEXIS database 110, the Litalert database 120, the CO database 130, the CO database 140, the Modem 150, the PTO Maintenance database 160, the NEXIS database 170, the Input Device 180, the Password database 190, the Format Device 200, the Predetermined Formats database 210, the Indicator Collection Organizing Device 220, the Indicator Weighing Device 230, and the Device 240.

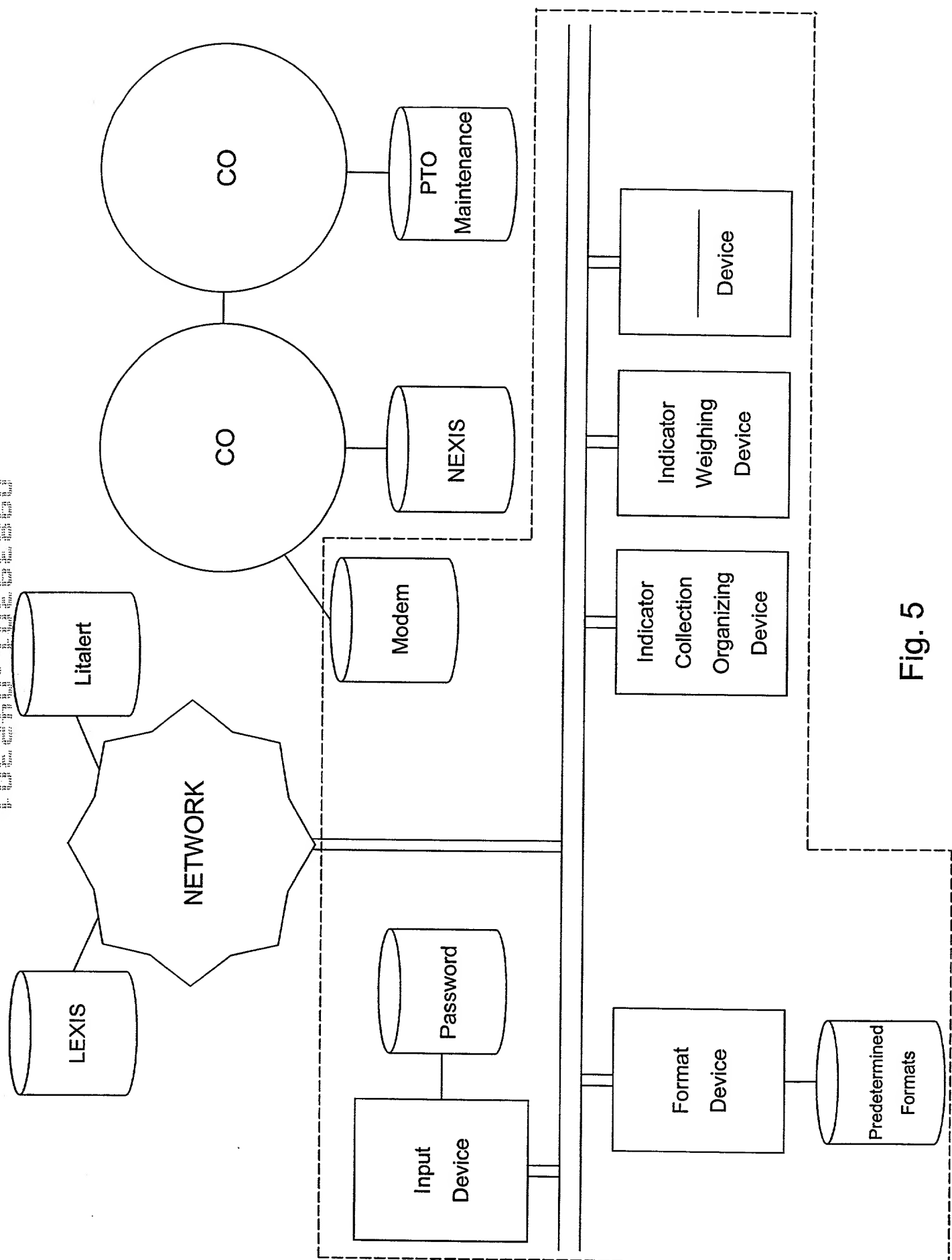


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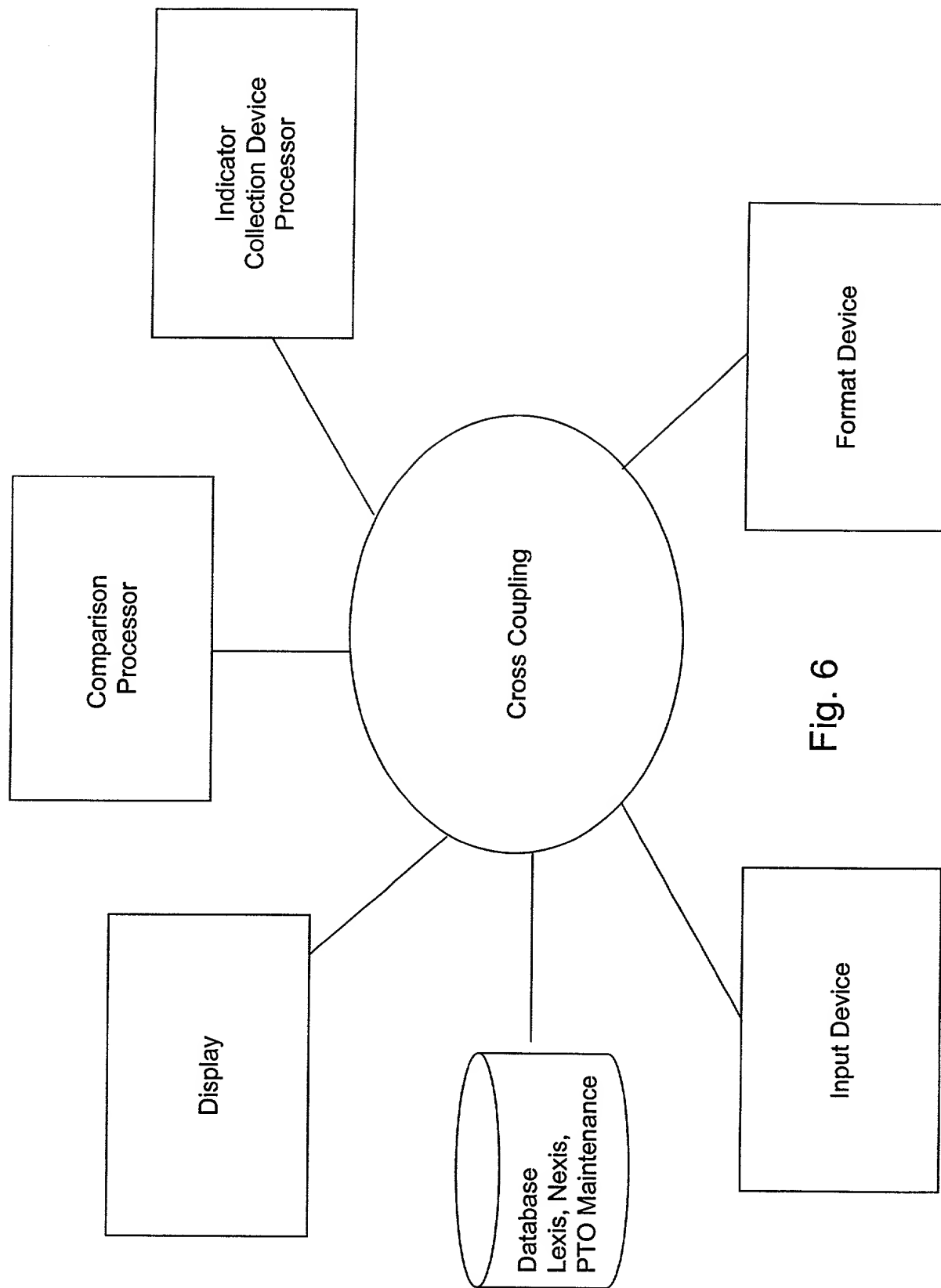


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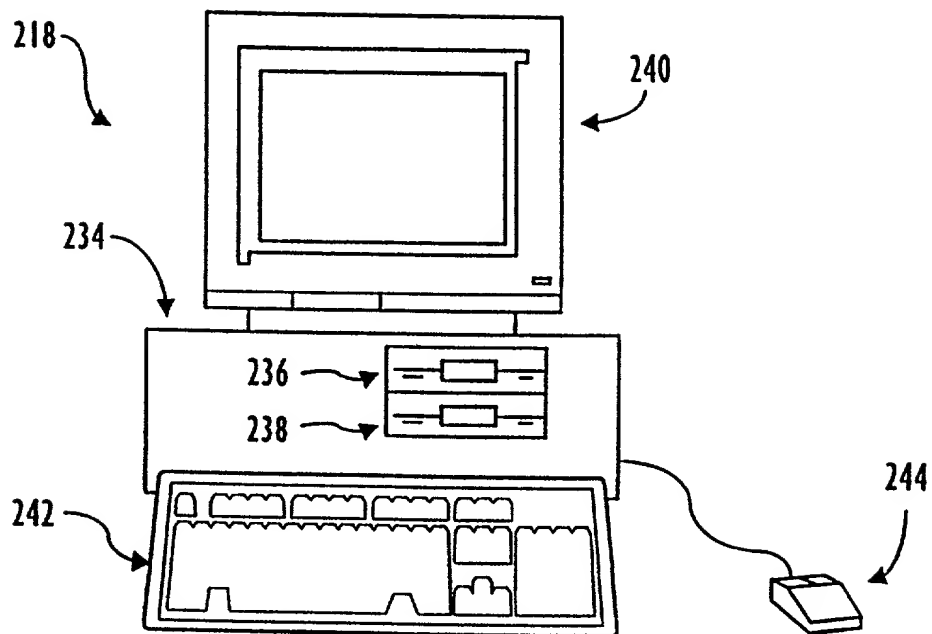


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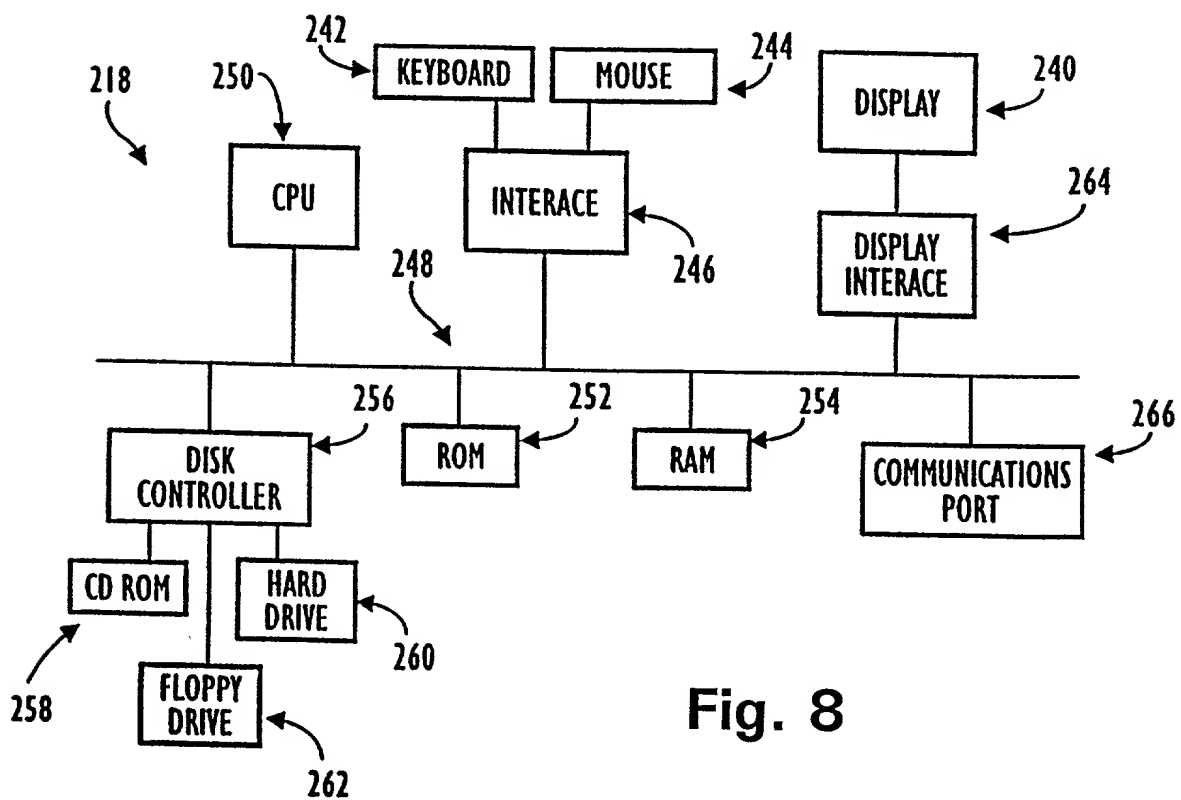
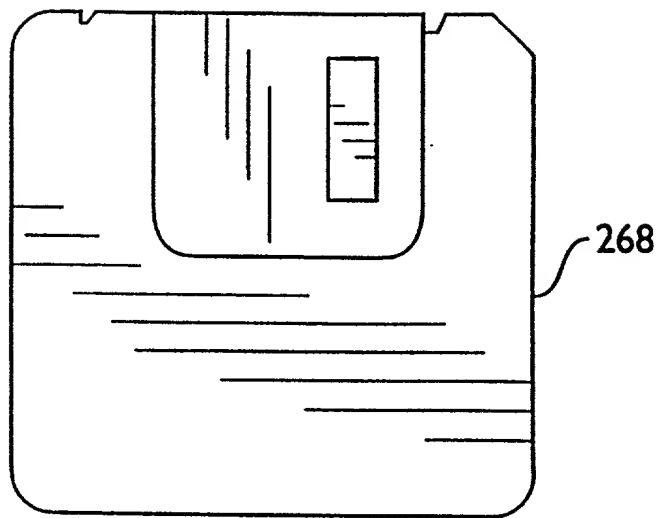


Fig. 8



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